

Because of the Unparalleled Response This Year to Appeals for the Needy, Everyone Can Say---



HOPE—Chief training center of the richest diversified farming section of Arkansas, Hempstead county alone has an annual income of one million dollars from truck crops.

Merry Christmas



Hope Star

Arkansas—Mostly cloudy Wednesday night. Thursday becoming unsettled with local rains probably in the north portion. Warmer Wednesday night, somewhat colder in the northwest portion by Thursday night.

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NATION GREET'S CHRISTMAS

Winners Chosen in Star's Christmas Home Competition

Roy Anderson, Randolph Crutchfield, Richardson Ayres Get Prizes

37 HOMES VISITED

The Star's Staff Looks Over the City For an Hour Tuesday Night

Winners of the Christmas home-decorating contest were chosen Tuesday night after The Star's staff had visited every section of the city and inspected 37 decorated homes.

Prizes have been awarded as follows:

First prize, \$5—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anderson, South Main.

Second prize, \$3—Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Crutchfield, West Fifth.

Third prize, \$2—Mr. and Mrs. Richardson Ayres, North Hervey.

Honorable Mention: Terrell Cornelius, South Pine; O. A. Graves, North Washington; Mrs. M. H. Barlow, North Hervey; Talbot Field, West Division.

Terms of Judging

Under the terms of the contest announced two weeks ago and again last week, the judging was entirely on decorations that could be seen from the street, and special preference was shown those that were lighted at night.

Despite these difficult times, the householders of Hope have made a cheerful show this season. The Star particularly congratulates Wards Two and Three, whose Christmas home decorations this year are many and fine.

The list of decorated homes which The Star discovered for itself in an hour's drive about the city Tuesday night, and all of which figured in the running for the prizes, follows:

List of Homes

South Elm street: H. C. Whitworth, O. L. Reed, S. D. Reed, John Vesey, A. F. Hannegan, D. M. Finley, Edgar Bryant.

South Main: Fred White, Roy Anderson, George Waddle, Alva Reynerson, J. B. Yarbrough, R. V. Herndon.

East Second: White House, Mrs. W. M. Cantley, Paul Simms.

East Third: E. M. McWilliams.

West Second: Charles Haynes.

North Hervey: Mrs. M. H. Barlow, Richardson Ayres, R. W. Muldrow, S. G. Norton.

North Pine: J. D. Barlow.

North Washington: O. A. Graves, N. W. Denty.

North Louisiana: Frank Johnson, G. S. Spragins, W. M. Brummett.

East Avenue: C. E. Romig, Arch Moore.

West Division: Mrs. H. A. West, Talbot Field.

South Pine: John Maher, Terrell Cornelius.

West Fifth: Randolph Crutchfield, George Harrell, Charles Harrell.

Good Fellow Club Total Is \$325.50

Five New Gifts Add \$7.00 to Total on Final Report Wednesday

Five new gifts for a total of \$7.00 Wednesday put the final total of the 1930 Good Fellows fund at \$325.50; and this amount is being administered by Mrs. Arch Moore in her purchase of things for this Christmas' Good Fellows list.

New gifts Wednesday were:

Previously reported \$318.50

Frank R. Johnson 1.00

Mrs. Frank R. Johnson 1.00

Mrs. C. S. Constant 3.00

Mrs. W. B. Carmichael 1.00

L. C. Sommersville 1.00

\$325.50

Secretary 35th Time

SANTA ROSA, Cal.—(U.P.)—William H. Poole, for 34 years secretary of Santa Rosa lodge, F. & M., was re-elected the other day for the 35th time. He is the dean of Masonic secretaries in California.

Many Are Killed As India Revolts

Dozen Dead, Scores Wounded in Upper Burma Districts When Native Rioters Attack Villages—Tax Program Is Fought, and Situation Becomes Grave For British Government

RANGOON, Burma, India.—(P)—More than a dozen persons were killed and many wounded in uprisings against the British crown Wednesday according to reports reaching this city.

The latest outbreaks occurred in the Tharawaddy and Insein districts of upper Burma. Rioters were reported to have attacked several villages, armed and in large numbers, in the course of a tax-resisting campaign against the government.

An open attack on a high government official occurred the day before at Lahore, when Sir Geoffrey de

Montmorency, governor of the Punjab was fired upon six times by students attending the University of Lahore convocation. Sir Geoffrey was hit twice, but not seriously.

The India situation has been considered grave for the British ever since Ghandi's campaign of "peaceful resistance" got out of the hands of its gaseous leader and took more violent forms.

It has occurred around the salt pits of Bombay, with frequent riots provoked by the government's policy of keeping salt a public monopoly for revenue purposes.

Clark Co. Bank at Gurdon Re-Opens

Is One of Few to Open Within 5-Day Legal Period

LITTLE ROCK.—(P)—Two banks that closed recently were reopened Wednesday, the state banking department announced.

They are, the Clark County Bank of Gurdon, and the Citizens Bank of Carlisle.

The Gurdon bank was one of the few closed institutions to reopen within the five-day suspension permitted by law. Its closing was followed by the suspension of the Merchants & Planters bank at Arkadelphia. Both the Gurdon and Arkadelphia institutions have the same president, J. G. Clark, large landowner and reputed wealthy banker. His home is in Arkadelphia.

Giles H. Gibson Is To Run For Mayor

Former County Surveyor Will Be City Candidate January 27

Giles H. Gibson announced Wednesday as a candidate for mayor of Hope in the Democratic primary election to be held January 27.

Mr. Gibson, Hempstead county surveyor for 15 years, and a resident of Hope since 1911, is widely known here. He recently sold his interest in Jack's Newsstand to Harvey Barr, and will make an active campaign for the mayoralty.

He elected, Mr. Gibson said he would oppose any sale or lease of the municipal water and light plant. "I am also in favor of a further reduction in the light rate, if that is possible and in keeping with sound business management for the city," he said.

Mr. Gibson is also a farmer, having owned two places near the city for many years.

He is a graduate in engineering of the University of Michigan, and had charge of construction of the three largest drainage ditches that have ever been built in Hempstead county.

Farmer Says Deer Joined Flock of Sheep

NORTH LEWISBURG, Ohio.—(U.P.)—It may have been an optical illusion, but Merle Clark, farmer near here, swears it's true. He tells it this way: "I was watching my sheep recently when I noticed a young deer grazing on the edge of a wooded section. The deer looked me over and then joined the flock. I acted as unconcerned as possible and, as a result, the animal loitered among the sheep, paying no attention to me. I had driven the flock almost to my house when a wagon frightened it and it scampered away."

Some residents doubt that Clark ever saw a deer.

Bulletins

ATTALA, Ala.—(P)—An 18-year-old unidentified youth was shot to death and Police Chief D. C. Keith of Attala was seriously wounded early Wednesday in what officers said was an attempt to hold up a roadhouse near here.

Chief Keith and a patrolman were in the place when the youth drew a pistol. As the chief drew his own gun, the youth shot him. Patrolman Swan then shot the boy.

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—(P)—Joseph Oradzo, 50, gate-tender of the Allington branch of the American Mills company, was shot to death and Charles A. Kearns, junior paymaster critically wounded Wednesday by a bandit who escaped with \$5,000, puny pay roll, estimated at \$5,000.

NEW ORLEANS.—(P)—Four handbills held up the Dryades St. branch of the Hibernal Bank Wednesday and escaped, police said, with \$5,500. Mrs. Wilton Helz, one of four customers in the bank, saved two diamond rings by placing them in her mouth.

NEW YORK.—(P)—A message from Para, Brazil, to the Pan-American Airways headquarters here Wednesday said that a Pan-American plane had been sent to the Ford rubber plantation in the request of the Brazilian government.

It was reported there had been trouble with native laborers at Para, but no lives were lost, it was said.

WASHINGTON.—(P)—The last American veteran of the World war will live until 1935, and the last widow of a veteran will not die until 1958, the Veterans Bureau calculates on the basis of the records of soldiers of previous wars.

John Bartlett in Alderman's Race

Timberman to Be Candidate Next Month in Ward One

John Bartlett, lumberman, living at Edgewood and Third, announced as a candidate for alderman from Ward one Wednesday.

Mr. Bartlett is soliciting votes in the Democratic primary election January 27. He has never sought public office before. All his life has been spent in the county, much of it near Spring Hill and the last 11 years in Hope.

He is an independent timber buyer, well known to the people of his ward and city, and has an interest in good local government.

Law Would Aid Autoists

CHAPEL HILL, N. C.—(U.P.)—A statute to be presented to the 1931 North Carolina General Assembly would restrict the liability of an automobile driver to a guest in cases of accident only to instances where the driver was guilty of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.

Liquidating Corp. To Be Organized on Arkansas Bank

Over 300 Approve of Plan Outlined at Meeting Tuesday

COMMITTEE OF 22

Depositors Would Own Corporation and Recover on Collections

Plans for liquidating corporation for the Arkansas Bank & Trust Co., which closed November 17, were outlined to more than 300 depositors at a meeting in Hope city hall Tuesday afternoon.

Presented by U. A. Gentry and E. F. McFaddin, the plan was already being endorsed by a substantial number of depositors, and a committee of 22 was appointed Tuesday to proceed with the organization, which will be known as the People's Business Corporation.

The committee of 22 representing the rank-and-file of the depositors are: C. W. Weltman, T. A. Middlebrooks, Jack Kent, John Kent, Jerome Drake, J. H. Martin, W. H. A. Schneker, E. F. Breed, Charles Bader, A. C. Whitehurst, John Booth, Mrs. Gertrude Hollis, F. F. Hale, Mrs. C. S. Lovthorp, Frank May, A. H. Eversmeyer, Benton Huddleston, S. Dudeney, Mrs. E. F. Wilson, E. G. Steed, E. F. McFaddin and U. A. Gentry.

Co-operating with the attorneys, the depositors' committee has mailed out the following letter to each individual depositor, and is also publishing in today's Star a coupon advertisement which depositors are requested to sign:

Letter to Depositors

"At a meeting of the depositors of this bank, held at the City Hall in Hope, on December 23, over three hundred were present, and it was there voted, unanimously, to organize the depositors, and follow the plans outlined at that meeting. These plans are:

"(1) A corporation to be known as the Peoples Business Corporation is to be organized; and each and every depositor in the Arkansas Bank & Trust Company is to receive first preferred stock in the Peoples Business Corporation dollar for dollar, equal to and in lieu of his or her net deposit in the Arkansas Bank & Trust Company.

"(2) This Peoples Business Corporation will be controlled by the depositors of the Arkansas Bank & Trust Company; and will take over all the assets of the Arkansas Bank & Trust Company by satisfying or arranging the deposits and the bills of the said bank.

"(3) Just as fast as the assets of the Arkansas Bank & Trust Company can be converted into cash, the same will be paid to the holders of the first preferred stock in the Peoples Business Corporation, and in this way, the depositors of the Arkansas Bank & Trust Company will receive their money and have first claim on all the assets of the Arkansas Bank, up to the full amount of each deposit.

"(4) First preferred stock holders in the Peoples Business Corporation, by their vote, can determine how fast the assets are to be liquidated, who will do the liquidating, and what salaries and expenses will be allowed and this control continues until each depositor in the Arkansas Bank & Trust Company receives his or her deposit in full.

"As previously stated, this plan was enthusiastically endorsed at the meeting of the depositors on December 23, and a committee of twenty-two was selected to perfect the plan by getting all depositors to agree. This letter is written to you as a depositor, urging you to sign the enclosed agreement and return the same at once, either to E. F. McFaddin or U. A. Gentry, Hope, Arkansas.

"We must get these agreements signed by the depositors without delay; and we regard it as imperative that each and every depositor cooperate. Won't you do your part by signing the enclosed agreement at once, and mailing or returning it to the parties above named?"

"Urging your prompt action, which is for your own welfare, we are,

"Yours very truly,"

"DEPOSITORS' COMMITTEE OF 22, Arkansas Bank & Trust Co."

Extra! Extra!



To Finish No. 67 Here Next Spring

January Note Issue to Go For Trunk Road Paving Only

LITTLE ROCK.—The advance of federal funds as an emergency aid to unemployment will be equivalent to double federal aid, Chief Engineer C. S. Christian of the State Highway Department announced Tuesday, and will permit the state to use funds ordinarily required to match federal aid for work on non-federal aid projects.

Arkansas, which will sell \$15,000,000 worth of state notes January 15, is to draw \$1,300,000 of this special federal money at once.

Chairman Dwight H. Blackwood, of the State Highway Commission, said that the department's program through January, February and March would be concentrated on the unpaved sections of the following highways:

No. 70 from Little Rock to Memphis.

No. 67 between Texarkana and Little Rock, and between Little Rock and the Missouri line north of Corns.

No. 64 between Fort Smith and Memphis by way of Bald Knob and the Augusta toll bridge.

No. 71 between Alma and the Missouri line north of Gravette.

Eugene Cox Kills Himself at Mena

Wealthy Lumberman and Politician Dies of Bullet-Head Wound

MENA.—(P)—Eugene Cox, 53, former chairman of the Polk county Democratic central committee and wealthy retired banker and lumberman, was found dying of a bullet-head wound in his head late Tuesday night.

Sheriff J. E. Joplin said the wound was self-inflicted and an inquest was unnecessary, though members of the family told him, he said, that they believed Mr. Cox shot himself accidentally while cleaning a gun.

The shot passed through the right temple. Mr. Cox is survived by his widow and one son.

Extra! Extra!



No Issue of Star Tomorrow; Holiday

There will be no issue of the Star tomorrow.

Observing the Christmas holiday, the newspaper will suspend, and the office will be closed in all departments for the day.

All cartoons, the serial story and other continued features, will be "doubled up" with the next publication.

The Star wishes all its readers a merry Christmas, and a happy New Year.

J. W. Harper Runs For Re-Election

City Treasurer to Be Candidate in City Primary January 27

Announcement of his candidacy for re-election as city treasurer was made Wednesday by J. W. Harper.

Mr. Harper's name appears in the political column of today's Star. He has served one and a half terms as city treasurer, having been re-elected last February. The special election next month, made necessary by the declaring of Hope a city of the first class, cut down the regular two-year term to one year.

In his statement to the voters Mr. Harper is seeking re-election on his past satisfactory handling of the city finances and the fact that he has not yet been accorded the full two terms generally due a successful officeholder.

Prospects Bright For New Imperial Airways Line

LONDON.—(U.P.)—Regular service between Alexandria and Famagusta in Cyprus, with an intermediate stop at Haifa in Palestine may be established shortly by Imperial Airways.

The six weeks' experimental service organized in September is said to have been a complete success.

Because Haifa may become an important oil base, and Cyprus is a vacation center of growing popularity, directors of the British company see a bright future for an air line operating to Cyprus with its 400,000 population.

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Construction N. Region

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Oil pipe lines are stretching out from the Southwest, new rails are glinting under the Texas sun, and new public works begin to dot the landscape of many states.

At the same time the demands for immediate relief will be met shortly by actual administration of the public funds appropriated last week by the congress, and other funds raised in the larger cities by private subscription.

R. G. Rogers Home Burns in County

Mrs. Rogers and New-Born Babe Rescued By Negro Woman

The farm home of R. G. Rogers, about four miles southeast of Shover Springs near the Hempstead-Nevada county line, burned to the ground late Tuesday, according to word received at Hope Wednesday.

Mrs. Rogers and the other children of last Saturday, was alone in the house when the fire broke out. A negro woman servant in an adjoining building rushed to her aid and removed mother and child safely.

Mr. Rogers and the other children were shopping in Hope during the fire. All the family furniture was lost, and there was no insurance.

Receiver Is Named For Banks & Co.

J. K. Riffel Appointed By Federal Court at Little Rock

LITTLE ROCK.—J. K. Riffel of Little Rock was appointed receiver Tuesday to take charge of the assets of A. B. Banks & Co., Van M. Howell Company and A. B. Banks, who filed voluntary bankruptcy petitions in federal court Monday. The receiver was designated by Joe H. Schneider, referee in bankruptcy, to whom the petitions were referred.

Bond of \$15,000 for each bankrupt, a total of \$45,000, was required of the receiver. Bankruptcy of Mr. Banks and the two companies followed the closing of many banks in Arkansas, in which Mr. Banks and associates were interested, and also the receivership of the Home Fire and Accident Insurance companies, of which Mr. Banks was president. He resigned Monday as president of the Home Life Insurance Company.

Dance at Saenger

The Saenger Theatre orchestra is to play for a dance on the stage of the Saenger Theatre Friday night of this week, according to Elliott Johnson, manager. Mrs. Neil Bush McPheters is to be chaperone.

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Carol Seeking to Expel His Queen

Boy-Prince Michael Only Reason Helen Is Permitted in Roumania

BUDAPEST, Hungary.—(P)—Apparently King Carol and his estranged wife Queen Helen have "quit" for "keeps," and Carol has even gone so far as to tell the queen to leave Roumania—an order he would have carried out except for her refusal to go without their little son Michael, one-time boy king of Roumania.

King Alexander of Yugoslavia, husband of King Carol's sister, Marie, was to have arrived at Bucharest Tuesday for the party, but deferred his visit. Reports said he had been asked to do so by the dowager Queen Marie, who feared that King Carol's "nerves" would not stand any further rubbing on the subject of his estrangement from the queen.

It is said, when asked by Carol to leave Roumania declared that she would do so only if the young Prince Michael, heir to the throne, were surrendered to her, as she had no one else to love and would not be separated from her own flesh and blood. Carol is then said to have relented, assuring her that she might remain, but that she must be prepared to live as a private person and moving only in a small circle of intimate friends.

Helen, temporarily accepted this condition, giving up a plan for visiting her mother, the former Queen Sophia of Greece, in Germany, in the hopes of spending Christmas with Michael, it is declared.

This part of her program failed, however, as she was not invited to attend the Christmas party at Sinaia palace where Carol will have as his guests his mother, his sister, Prince Nicholas, and his brother, Prince Nicholas, as well as the young Prince Michael.

Queen Sophia asked permission to visit Helen, according to reports, but this was denied. Helen's brother, the former King George of Greece, will spend Christmas day with Queen Helen, however.

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The Star's Platform

CITY
Apply the revenues of the municipal power plant to develop the water and sewer resources of Hope.
Have city payment in 1930, and improved sanitary conditions in the city and business back-wards.
Support the Chamber of Commerce.

COUNTY
A county highway program providing for the construction of a permanent system of all-weather roads each year, to gradually reduce the dirt road mileage.
Political and economic support for every scientific agricultural program which offers practical benefits to Hempstead county growers.
Encourage farmer organizations, believing that co-operative effort is the best way to advance the country as it is in town.

STATE
Continued progress on the state highway program.
Fairness, tax reform, and a more efficient government through the budget system of expenditures.
Free Arkansas from the cattle tick.

An Emergency Gas Rate

THE 20 per cent reduction in light rates at the municipal water and light plant last week suggests the need of similar action on the part of other local utilities.

Particularly important is a reduction in the price of gas, at least for the next 90 days.

Whether the Arkansas Natural Gas Corporation feels the comparison with a municipally-owned utility to be unfair has nothing to do with the case. What we are speaking of is an emergency reduction, to take effect at once and carry the city through the brunt of the winter.

They say that the big corporations are anxious now, days to curry favor. Here is a chance for one to prove it.

We don't need to go far for a precedent in asking for an emergency gas rate over a limited period. This fall the railroads voluntarily lowered their freight rates to points in the drought area, and maintained the reduced schedule for 90 days. It has since expired. But the spirit of co-operation is still remembered.

Similar action has been taken by the railroads with regard to passenger traffic. Even now the Texas & Pacific, in Texas and Louisiana, is hauling passengers at 2 cents a mile, where it formerly charged 3 cents. This too is a temporary measure, induced by the panic, and presumably to last no longer than a few months.

It isn't our desire to raise the point with the gas company that their fuel, along with most other commodities, has declined in value during the last year, or to suggest that they cut salaries or reduce their local staff. But we do believe that the Arkansas Natural recognizes how severely this section of the Southwest has been crippled by the drought, and the necessity of living through the winter months economically until another harvest-time.

A big company which responds even briefly to this call for assistance, deserves the thanks of the entire community.

It Affects All of Us

SOME people often complain that newspaper and magazine editors worry too much about crime conditions in New York and Chicago. Admitting that the situation in each of these cities is quite as bad as has been reported, these people assert that that, after all it means nothing else to the rest of the country, and that the rest of the country, therefore, should not have to bother its collective head about something that is the direct concern of the New Yorker and the Chicagoan.

All of this sounds well on the surface; but now and then something happens to show just why a bad gang condition in Chicago, for instance, is a matter of concern to citizens in towns hundreds of miles away—people who never saw Chicago and never expect to.

Here is an example. In Kansas City the other day the police rounded up a gang of youthful bandits. The oldest one, the leader and organizer of the crew, was just 17; but he is accused of two murders, which he is said to have committed during gasoline station holdups in order to impress two flappers—aged—16—who were among his admirers.

Now all of this is tolerably shocking; the more so when you consider the fact that all of these precocious children were very obviously copying the deeds of the Al Capones and Bugs Morans of Chicago, the Arnold Rothsteins and Jack Diamonds of New York.

Nor is it entirely surprising that they should. These big-city gangsters have won wealth and power, and a certain kind of fame, by their lives of crime. Is it to be wondered at if youngsters decide that these are men worth copying? Is it really very amazing if they conclude that a life of crime is a fine kind of life for an ambitious youth to pursue?

That is how these Chicago and New York gangsters affect all of us. They set up the wrong kind of standards for our young people to copy. They provide a living contradiction for our maxims about honesty and good citizenship.

And that is why it is our concern when crime conditions in the great metropolitan centers get unduly bad. We may not be affected directly, in that our lives and property may not be endangered; but indirectly we are affected very profoundly.

One of the things which mere man will wear this winter, much to the annoyance of style dictators, is last year's overcoat.—Hamilton Spectator.

An advertisement states that "it took 12,000 workers to put that bottle of milk at your door." Yes it sounded as if it did.—London Opinion.

The latest atom, we understand, is to be thought of as a hole in the vast ocean of nothingness. But if you can't visualize an ocean of nothingness punctuated with holes, it's all right, too. Next week there will be a new kind of atom.

Christmas In 1930

CHRISTMAS this year comes at a dramatic moment in the life of our nation. Business depression, human want and misery, and a shaken religious faith, only serve to make this holiday stand out like a watchful sentinel on the dark horizon.

So does every Christmas steal down the line of years and come on us unawares—in bounteous seasons a prodigal holiday born of our own success; but in the hard, lean season a gracious reminder that Man has never gone far alone.

And if Christmas and the spirit of Him whose birthday it celebrates appear to sit in judgment upon us in 1930, it will not have been the first time, nor the last. The history of mankind never has supported our vast pretensions to knowledge. We pile up money, and squander health. We devise machines to avoid work, and starve to death. The whole world is regulated to an exact science by a race of men who don't even know their own desires.

Christmas comes to us with the message of the ages—to have faith when the faith of other men seems to have fled. We make mistakes. Men and nations make them. Recognizing a mistake is always worth the time it takes to stop and examine it.

One of the mistakes America has been making for the last ten years is the positive value it put upon money. It didn't matter when some of the rich were misguided. A nation can survive the mistakes of a particular class. But it did matter when throughout the length and breadth of the land the citizens generally began to look upon finance and the machinery of finance as a gainful employment to be compared to their former occupations. Right then, men stopped making a living and began to make money.

Today the nation has money, but no living. It has 105 per cent of the bank deposits of 1928, but only 80 per cent of the employment. There are bread-lines in the cities and scantily-clad people on the farms.

The indictment stands against the citizens of every section. In the East, men went into the Stock Exchanges who had no business being there. In the West and South, able farmers not content with making a good living, gambled in grain and cotton, and committed themselves ruinously for additional land that they might gamble on a still mightier scale in grain and cotton.

It all went down, East, West and South.

If Christmas means anything to the heart of mankind, it ought to speak this day with the voice of a trumpet. For we have abused our land, ourselves, and our religion. And for those who in the face of calamity have taken refuge in the cry that God has forsaken them, there is the simple statement given to us in the Book of Mark.

The Sadducees attempted to ensnare Christ by asking him as to the case of the seven brothers, who each in turn married a certain woman and died. "In the resurrection whose wife shall she be?" they asked. And Christ told them they erred when they presumed that God took up his time with such sophistries concerning the dead. "He is not the God of the dead, but of the living," was his reply.—W.

Looking for a Landing Place

SOCIETY

Mrs. Sid Henry Telephone 321

Christmas! We all love the sound and the sight of it; the angels and the Godless and good; the hearts of the world all respond to the ring of it—

Believing mankind into one vast brotherhood. All nations rejoice to the thrill of it. Palaces and peasants; the rich and renowned; Spirit of love—may we bow to the will of it—

Then we'll have Christmas the whole year 'round—Selected.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Smith and little daughter, Margaret of Dallas, Texas, will be holiday guests of Mayor and Mrs. R. A. Boyett and to relatives in Texarkana.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Hamilton of Louisville arrived today to spend Christmas visiting with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Spragins will have as dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. England of Texarkana, Stuart Spragins of Little Rock and Mrs. H. H. Stuart.

Miss Allie Honagan of Dallas, Tex., will arrive tonight to spend the holidays visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Honagan.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Q. Warren will have as Christmas guests, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Yarbrough of Camden, Miss Kate Embree and Miss Lillian Hark of Texarkana.

Miss Evelyn Murph has as holiday guests, Miss Dorothy Routh, of Trenton, Texas.

Miss Maggie Bell and I. T. Bell, sr. will have as holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marshall and daughters, Mary Bell and Margaret, I. T. Bell.

Future thrills and fun in a romance with music.

JUST IMAGINE

With El Brendel

SAENGER—Sunday

Mr. Calvin Marshall all of Texarkana and Lawrence Marshall of Little Rock

Miss Mary Greening of Dallas, will arrive tonight to spend Christmas visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Greening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anderson, and daughter, Mary Sue will spend the holidays visiting with relatives in Little Rock.

Mrs. Blanche Cannon will have as Christmas guests, her daughter, Miss Mary who is a student in Baylor college, Belton, Texas and her son, Howard, of Dallas, Texas.

Edward Schooley of Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, will spend the Christmas vacation visiting with home folks.

Miss Alice Pritchard, a student of Randolph-Macon college for women, Lynchburg, Va., has arrived to spend the holiday vacation with her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Pritchard and grandmother, Mrs. M. H. Barlow.

David Finley of St. Louis, Mo., arrived this morning to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Finley.

Albert Graves, a student in Harvard University, is the holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Graves.

Mr. H. Thomas, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Brown and Arthur Thomas for the past week has returned to his home in Eastland, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruffin Boyett and children of Little Rock arrived this morning to spend the holidays visiting with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Kinser and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Porterfield are entertaining at a family Christmas dinner tomorrow evening at six o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kinser on S. Main St.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. LaGrone Sr. will be Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Surrey Gilliam in Eldorado.

Mrs. Nell Bush McPeckers entertained her School of Dance at a most delightful Christmas party yesterday afternoon at her studio on E. 2nd st. The studio was bright with Christmas colors and favors, dolls dressed in Studio Costume were distributed from a brilliant Christmas tree. Following the Christmas tree frolic, delicious refreshments were served to seventy guests.

MOM'N POP



Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Denty have as Christmas guests, Mrs. Caswell McKee of Fayetteville and Phillip McKee of Sarcoxie, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Black and son of Houston, Texas arrived yesterday to spend the Christmas Holidays visiting with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Neely Black and son and Mrs. Harper of Shreveport will arrive this afternoon for a Christmas visit with friends and relatives.

Christmastide, the trails end of the old year with its memories of old days and friends is here again—May it be a day of joy and gladness, and may the coming year greet you with increasing success and happiness.

Letters to Santa Claus

Marjorie Nell Ware, Bodcaw. Helen Claudia Agee, Hope. Juanita Thornton, Hope. Pansy Ruth Smith, Waldo. Bonnie Sue Smith, Waldo. Thomas Leroy Frazier, Hope. Imogene Webb, Ozan. Ellen and Elsie Beck, Hope. Joseph Ward, Hope. Sharlene Beggs, Hope. Jimmie Beck, Hope. W. C. Beck, Hope. Vida Beggs, Hope. Isaac Ward, Stamps. Iver Ward, Stamps. Marie Collier, Hope. Louise Collier, Hope. Leon Collier, Hope. Earl and R. E. Adams, jr., Patmos. Nellie Adams, Patmos. Franklin and Selma Adams, Patmos. Jessie Radcliff, Fulton. George Radcliff, jr. Charles Lindy Rarcliff. Twyman Hollis, Patmos. Bertha Radcliff, Fulton. Roy Martin, Bodcaw.

Actress To Wed Football Star



Rosita Moreno, moving picture actress shown above, and Orville Mohler, University of Southern California football hero, have admitted at Hollywood that they are engaged to be married. Formal announcement, however, is not to be made for a while yet, as Miss Moreno is only 19 while Mohler still has several years of college work ahead of him.

years, met here recently when the death of a mutual friend brought them together. They parted when each was less than two years old after being placed in an orphanage.

Cow Sets New Record

MERIDIAN, Miss.—(U.P.)—"Skeezix," a Mississippi champion cow owned by a woman, Mrs. C. P. Mosby of this city, set a new state record when she produced 446 pounds of butterfat during a three month test period.

Buffalo Nickel New to Her

YORK, S. C.—(U.P.)—John Wallace, who buys eggs from rural residents and sells them in towns and cities near York, found a woman who had never seen a "Buffalo" nickel and didn't believe it was good coin of the Republic. Out of change except for a number of the nickels, Wallace tendered them to her in payment for eggs. "That ain't real money," the woman declared. "At least I never saw any like it before. So she deducted two eggs from a dozen and accepted the Buffalo nickels.

Unemployment Down

DETROIT.—(U.P.)—Unemployment in Michigan outside of Detroit, amounts to only 4.8 per cent of the population, according to a recent special survey made by the state department of labor and industry for Fred C. Croxton, of the federal unemployment commission. The survey embraced 84 cities having a total population of 1,183,000. Of this total figure only 56,270 are unemployed.

Sign Tells Police

PITTSBURG.—(U.P.)—If anyone steals Frank Sfar's automobile he is almost certain to be detected as soon as he attempts to slow down or stop the machine. Sfar, a mechanic, has developed a lighting device which is set when the car is parked. Should the car be driven an illuminated sign at the rear of the machine will blazon forth "stolen" as soon as the brakes are applied.

New Still Method

RADFORD, Va.—(U.P.)—Add to the already long list of unique ways of operating moonshine stills. Three miles from Radford, officers found two pits dug in the ground close together. One contained mash and the other fire, so arranged that the necessary fermentation was produced by heating the partition wall. The operators were not found.

Death Rejoins Pair

MOBILE, Ala.—(U.P.)—A brother and sister, separated for more than 19

Texas Plans Budget of Over 48 Million

AUSTIN, Texas.—(U.P.)—The State of Texas will spend \$48,332,167 for the two years ending August 31, 1933, if the legislature adopts the budget recommendations filed by the state board of control. In round figures the educational bill will be \$17,000,000; courts will cost \$5,000,000 besides litigant's bills; state departments will cost \$13,000,000 and the eleemosynary institutions \$11,500,000.

Towns of Same Name Have Same Population

ASHLAND, Pa.—(U.P.)—Out on the Pacific Coast was found a twin of this anthracite town. A twin not alone in name but also in population to the exact figure, as recorded by the 1930 census. Ashland, Oregon, was reported in the census to have a population of 7164. Ashland, Pennsylvania, in the same census was given the same population, 7164. One other town in the United States was recorded as having a population of 7164. That was Wheaton, Illinois, known best to history as the home of Harold "Red" Grange.

Human Leg Halts Train

DIJON, France.—(A.P.)—The mangled leg of a human being was nearly cast into the furnace of the Marseilles-Paris express train the other day. The stoker, getting up steam, was frightened when his shovel dug out a human leg from the coal. The engineer stopped the train but the remainder of the body could not be found.

NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS

In The District Court of the United States For the Western District

of Arkansas, Texarkana Division, In Bankruptcy

In the matter of Parham J. Sutton of Hope, in the County of Hempstead State and District aforesaid, a Bankrupt.

To the Creditors of the above named Bankrupt: Notice is hereby given that on the Dec. 23, 1930, the above named party was duly adjudicated a bankrupt and that the first meeting of the creditors will be held at my office in the City of Texarkana on the sixth day of January, 1931 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting. Bankrupt's claim for exemption will be investigated at the same time and

GUSTAVUS G. POPE Referee in Bankruptcy Texarkana, Ark. 12-24-30

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Merry Christmas

Thursday is the day. May it be your gladdest day of all the year. And so, we extend our best wishes to our friends and customers, and say.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

John P. Cox Drug Co.

Shivers and Shakes of Laughs and Thrills!

SAENGER Thursday Only!

Our Christmas Day Offering and We are sure you will like it!

The creepiest, laughtiest, shiveriest, funniest mystery play ever screened!

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Verna Martin, Bodcaw. Dorothy Martin, Bodcaw. Lola and Charlene Roberts, Belton. Loyce Lile Cox, Hope. Avadale Cox, Hope. Joyce Cox, Hope. Ben Radcliff, Patmos.

Cave-in Buries 'Gater

MONROE, La.—(U.P.)—An alligator two feet long was found buried in the mud alongside a drainage ditch on a farm belonging to Mack Miller near here. The saurian when released appeared none the worse for his experience. It was thought a cave-in imprisoned the alligator.

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Judge Who Rules Out Prohibition



If it turns out that there really isn't any prohibition, after all, you can thank—or blame—Federal Judge William Clark of New Jersey for discovering the fact. This is a new, unusually fine portrait of the youthful-looking jurist whose decision that the Eighteenth Amendment is invalid has started up a whirlwind of legal and lay argument and will be appealed to the United States Supreme Court.

J. C. Penney Co., Inc.
Department Store

REMNANT WEEK

Friday, December 26th begins remnant week at Penneys. All short length and odd lots will be on tables at close out prices.

Many of these items have been accumulating during our preoccupation with holiday merchandise and been relegated to the back ground. Now they will be brought and conveniently displayed for your convenience.

Many of you will have money given as Christmas gifts. You will want to invest it thriftily—this is our annual remnant week.

J. C. Penney Co. Inc.
DEPARTMENT STORE

Merry Christmas

For more than thirty years this store has been a part and parcel of Hope and Hempstead county. We extend the

SEASON'S GREETINGS

to all who have become our friends and customers during this time, as well as those we wish to serve in the future.

To each of you, we extend our very best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous 1931.

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SPORT PAGE

HOOKS AND SLIDES

by William Braucher

Never Had a Chance
 Cy Perkins was regarded as one of the best pitchers in the major leagues. He was 35 years old and took his regular turn behind the bat as the Athletics first-string catcher. He was just ahead of looking for him. Now Cy Perkins is out of the majors, along with the veterans Schang, Quinn and others. And instead of sharing the glory of the championship ball of the last two years, Cy Perkins has sat back in the shade.

DID YOU KNOW THAT—
 JOHN MACALUSO, father of the Colgate star who led the country in piling up touchdowns, is a track walker for the Penins at East Aurora, N. Y. When young Leonard told his dad he would like to play football, pop was against it. Mother finally persuaded him to let the young man play. John went to see the Colgate-New York U. game and it was the first game of college football he ever saw. He never learned to read or write English, but his friends on the railroad read the papers to him. Leonard swung a sledge hammer 10 hours per diem last summer with a road construction gang. Kid Chocolate was so sure of beating Bat Battalio, that a week before the fight was scheduled the Keed had his Cuban boxing belt engraved with the date December 19, followed by the words, "Won the featherweight championship."

The Rise of Cochrane
 RIGHT from the start it was the other way around. Cochrane's amazing speed behind the bat and hitting ability gave him a great call. In the year that he was expected to fill in occasionally for Cy the Mick caught 124 games and gave promise of becoming one of the greatest catchers that baseball ever had known. Cochrane came on to fulfill the promise of that first year. Perkins, still under 30, took a back seat. Day after day he sat on the bench or went to the bullpen to warm up the pitchers when the going grew tough.

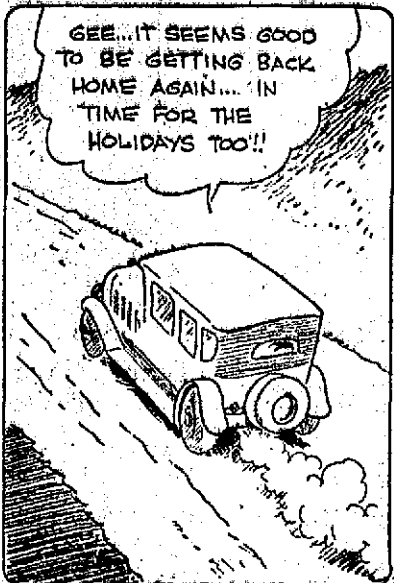
Helps Make Mickey
 SUCH a break at the hands of fate might make many men bitter. But the boy from the fishing banks was made of stouter stuff. Not only did he refuse to complain, but he helped the Mick in every way he could, teaching him some of the tricks of the game he had picked up in his seven years in the big leagues before Cochrane arrived. The two

men became friends. Oddly, both are from Massachusetts, Mickey's home being at Bridgewater. Recently the two went on a hunting trip in the New Brunswick wilds. Often, when the team was on the road, the two catchers bunked together. What promised to be his best years Cy spent in the background, a substitute on the team in whose play he expected to be a vital part. But the disappointment failed to shake his spirit.

The Greatest Test?
 OTHERS like Cy can be found in all sports. "Bucky" O'Connor sat on the bench and watched Joe Savoldi rip and plunge as Notre Dame's fullback—until that last game with the Trojans when O'Connor was given his chance to star. It is a test of sportsmanship to play the game without a white under such restraint. Perhaps it is the greatest test a player can meet.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

RILEY HAS BROUGHT HIS PLANE SAFELY TO THE GROUND AT THE SHADYSIDE AIRPORT... HE AND FRECKLES GET A CAR AND RUSH INTO TOWN...



Some Surprise



By Blosser

AND WHILE FRECKLES SLEPT SOUNDLY RILEY SPENT HOURS AND HOURS TELLING THE LADS ABOUT THEIR SON'S BURNING WOUNDS AND HIS THRILLING ADVENTURE IN THE VALLEY OF THE VANISHED MEN...

OUT OUR WAY

—By Williams



Linemen To Lead Elevens in 1930

Only Three Backfield Men Will Guide Arkansas Teams Next Year

LITTLE ROCK—(P)—Leaders of the majority of 1931 Arkansas college football elevens will be linemen. Team polls among nine colleges have raised six members of the line to the position of captain, leaving only three instances where a backfield man will pilot the team.

Arkansas State College, Monticello, A. and M., and Henderson State Teachers College are the exceptions. The Henderson State Teachers, state collegiate champions in 1930, gave the captaincy of the 1931 team to Robert D. Hule, of Arkadelphia.

Arkansas State elected Hansel Winters of Long View, Miss., a halfback, to the captaincy. A lineman, however, was named as sub-captain—Bill Hendrix.

The Monticello Bollweevils will be under leadership of Douglas ("Little Doug") Locke, a halfback. An end, Cov Seifres, was chosen sub-captain. Six other colleges have passed the honor to some member of the line.

Ouachita College will be led by John Carl Meador, of Arkadelphia, a tackle, and sub-captained by Clay Brazil, of Morrilton, a guard.

Magnolia A. & M. will be captained by Ross Jenkins, of Gurdon, a guard, with the sub-captain's post shared equally by Harry Downs, Magnolia, and Mitchie Cntlingham, Prescott.

Arkansas College has James Carvell, Newport, and George Robinson, Batesville, acting as co-captains. Both have played three years in the line.

Ed Clark, of Little Rock, tackle, will pilot Arkansas Polytechnic, with Frank Blankenship, North Little Rock, and Charles Criswell, Wynona, Okla., as sub-captains. Blankenship is a guard and Criswell a fullback.

The youngest of 1931 captains in point of service is Cyrus Wilson of Eufaula, Okla., sophomore tackle, who will captain the strong College of the Ozarks Mountaineers. Wilson was an

all-state selection in 1930. The University of Arkansas, for the second consecutive season chose a lineman for captain—Enrl Secret, of Hope, a guard. Robinson, also a lineman, is sub-captain.

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All Over the World

CARL COPELAND, Manager
 JACK LAWHORN, Market Manager

Report Shows Simplicity of Old Postal Department

SAGAMORE, Mass.—(U.P.)—The simplicity of the organization and finances of the United States Postal Department in 1930 are shown in a Government report published in 1930 and now in the possession of Postmaster

Osgood L. Small of this town. In 1930, there were 75 post offices in the country. The 75 postmasters drew yearly salaries which totaled \$8,198. Total expenditures for the year were \$32,140.

Courthouse Has Museum
WATERLOO, Iowa.—(U.P.)—The Black

Hawk County courthouse attracts others than delinquent taxpayers and court witnesses. One of the most complete collections of Indian relics and other curios frontier life to be found in the middle-west is to be found in the courthouse. It was donated by H. W. Grout.

Rhodes Scholar



Alexander B. Daspi, above, of Baton Rouge, La., a graduate of Louisiana State University, was one of the 33 Rhodes scholars selected this year to represent their states at Oxford University. The scholarship is valued at \$2000 and permits of two years' study at Oxford with an option of an additional year.

It was customary for the congregation to repeat the 23rd Psalm in unison, but invariably Mrs. Spielfast would keep about a dozen words ahead all the rest. "Who," asked a visitor of an old church member one Sunday, "was the lady who was already by the still waters while the rest of us were lying down in green pastures?"

Minnie—Do you buy shoes that pinch?
 Tonka—You should hear my husband holler when he gets the bills for them.

Miss Oldone—that canary you sold me hasn't sung a note yet.
 Clerk—Shut him up in the bathroom.

"In time of trial," said the lecturer, "what brings us the greatest comfort?"
 "An acquittal," responded a heckler in the back row.

Angus—What would you do with \$1,000 if I was to give it to you?
 Sandy—The first thing I would do would be to count it.

Mary—Jim said my face was a poem.
 Phil—So it is—like one of Brownings.
 Mary—How do you mean?
 Phil—Some of the lines are so deep.

BRUSHING UP SPORTS

By Laufer



A Merry Christmas

To the countless home lovers throughout all Southwest Arkansas; and to all our friends and customers, we extend our heartfelt greetings of the season.

We appreciate your responses to our efforts to win your patronage.

You are a guest before you are a customer here. We have always considered your visits a compliment, whether you have bought or not.

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author of
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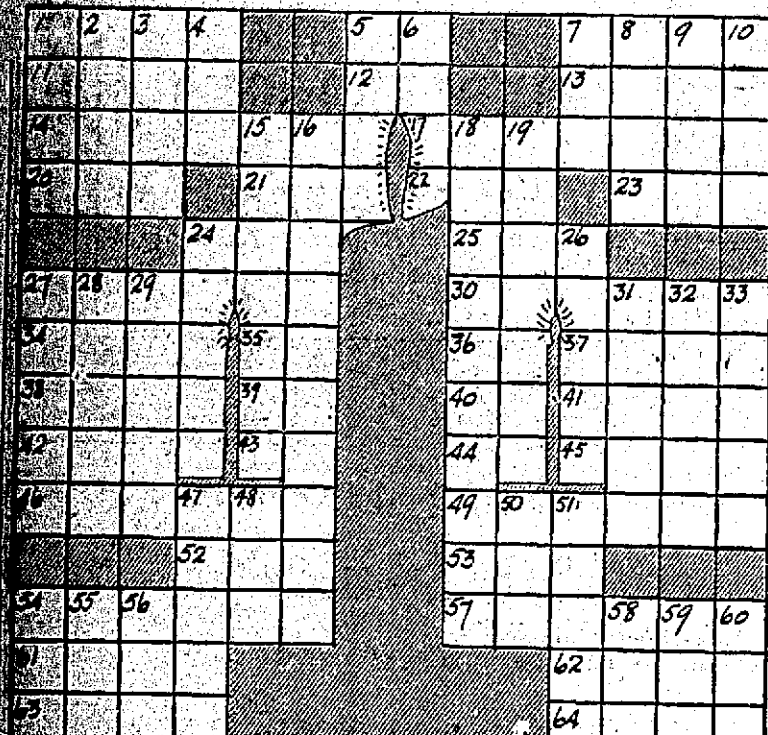


Daily Cross-word Puzzle

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

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Cotton at Bottom During Past Week

Declines Reported Week Ending 19th—Recovery Since 15th

MEMPHIS.—(U. S. Dept. Agriculture)—The cotton market for the week ending December 19 declined slightly, with indifferent demand reported all along the line. The weekly cotton review of the United States Department of Agriculture says:

The cotton market on December 15 reached the lowest point touched so far this season, but recovered somewhat during the remainder of the week. Demand for spot cotton continued slow and exports to date continue below those for the corresponding period a year ago. Domestic consumption for the first four months of this season is below that for the like period a year ago. The average price of Middling 7-8 inch spot cotton in the ten markets on December 19th was 8.88c, compared with 8.99c December 12th, and 16.34c on the same day the previous season. On December 15th of this season the quotation stood at 8.58c. Reports said that both foreign and domestic demand for American cotton during the past week was rather indifferent. Exports to December 19th amounted to 3,900,000 bales compared with about 3,900,000 a year ago to the corresponding day. According to the Bureau of the Census, domestic consumption for the month of November amounted to 414,887 bales, compared with 541,153 for November last season and four months' consumption ending November 30th amounted to 1,800,000 bales against 2,300,000 for the like four months a year ago. According to the same source, cotton on hand in domestic consuming establishments on November 30, 1930, amounted to 1,700,000 bales, against 1,700,000 a year ago. According to the Weather Bureau for the week ending December 18th the soil remains sufficiently supplied with moisture and ample water is available rather generally in the south and in the trans-Mississippi states. Picking cotton is about finished.

Grade differences were slightly narrowed for those below Middling and on December 19th the average of the ten markets for white strict low middling 145 points off. On August 1st of this season the quotation of the ten markets for Strict Low Middling was 71 points off Middling and for low middling 113.

Premium staple cottons were said to have continued to witness the rather slow demand which is in evidence in connection with the shorter lengths of cotton.

Southern mill centers continued to report a slow demand for raw cotton with no particular grades or staple lengths inquired for. Southern spinners were said to be in the market for only small quantities of cotton, particularly in the lower and undesirable grades in the shorter lengths. Business for forward shipments to southern spinners was said to be very quiet with little doing. According to the Bureau of the Census, in the cotton growing states during the four months ending November 30th there were consumed 1,300,000 bales, against 1,800,000 a year ago for the corresponding period.

New England mill centers said that

ians, five who said they were "Protestant," four Episcopalians, three Jewish, one Holiness, one "Hard Shell" and 16 who gave NO religious preference. Twenty-three senate members said they were born in Arkansas, while 45 house members said they were natives listed "America" as their place of birth. Tennessee led other states in being listed as the birthplace of house members. One senator said he was born in the Volunteer state. Occupations represented by house members include law, farming, home-making, insurance, editor, undertaker, minister, merchant, teacher, physician, salesman, bank cashier, manufacturer, realtor, oil and gas properties broker, bond broker, abstractor, railroad conductor, timber dealer, fruit grower, cotton buyer and stockman.

Her Debut to Be Brilliant One



NEA Washington Bureau
The most brilliant debutante ball that Washington has seen in years is planned for Dec. 26, when Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Doherty, wealthy New Yorkers, present Mrs. Doherty's daughter, Miss Helen Lee Eames, above. The ball room, all the dining rooms and the entire main floor of one of Washington's largest hotels has been engaged for the occasion. Miss Eames' hobby is hand painting sports roadsters which she gives to her friends. Her mother, as Mrs. Percy Eames, lived in Washington prior to her marriage to Doherty, rich oil magnate.

Village Smithies Report Good Year

WASHINGTON.—(U.P.)—The "Village Blacksmith" has come back into its own. According to the report of his activities for the first nine months of 1930 he is busier now than at any

time in history. The report disclosed that his anvil hammered out \$200,000,000 worth of goods in 1930. This business can be laid to the present trend in architecture which is calling for ornamental metals for home and building decoration. The increased demand for horseshoes may really have been a blessing in disguise as it forced the smith to return to his true craft—on a mental ironwork.

Library Membership Is Ideal Christmas Gift

A Christmas gift that the entire family can enjoy throughout the year is a membership in the library for the small sum of \$1.00.

Some copyrights new in the library ready for Friday readers are by the following authors: Mary Roberts Rhinehart, Van Dine, Eleanor H. Porter, Jean Webster, John Monk Saunders, Margaret Pedler, Dickens, Barrington and Grace Livingston Hill.

Churches Urged to Take Up Prohibition Study

WASHINGTON.—(U.P.)—Declaring that "a disproportionate amount of time has been expended by the church in political activities," the ex-

ecutive committee of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America recommended increased attention to the temperance movement as its annual meeting closed here. A resolution called upon churches to provide for study of the liquor problem by young people and adults in discussion groups, forums and church assemblies.

New Highway Gives Tourist View of Coal

HAZELTON, Pa.—(U.P.)—The new highway between Shepton and Shenandoah affords many anthracite residents and other tourists their first view of the "big mammoth vein," largest of the anthracite veins underlying the coal fields and producing their prosperity. At a point on the east side of the Cranberry strippings near here the big mammoth vein reaches the surface and is exposed to view.

Builds Mechanical Critic

COLUMBUS, Ohio.—(U.P.)—Engineering students at Ohio State University have constructed a mechanical "drum critic." The device, which will be used in connection with the annual Engineer's "Roundup," is designed to measure applause. A microphone in the auditorium will carry the applause to the instrument which will chart it. It is believed to be the first instrument of its kind in the world.

"Hall of Fame" Prints

AUSTIN, Texas.—(U.P.)—Texas' unofficial "Hall of Fame" in an Austin barber shop, has given way to the march of progress. A chain store will occupy its location and the barber shop is going to a modern office building. In it were hung photographs of Texas Governors, Senators, Congressmen and other officials who got their shaves and hair cuts there in the last half century.

Famed Stallion Dead

AMES, Iowa.—(U.P.)—Jalap, famous Percheron stallion, is dead. Expert veterinary aid failed to prolong the 21 years of Jalap's life. Last year he was rated as the second greatest living Percheron stallion. An all-time international rating places him in sixth place. Jalap was owned by Iowa State College.

Memorial For Cornwallis

RICHMOND, Va.—(U.P.)—Erection of a memorial to Lord Cornwallis and the valor of his British soldiers at Yorktown, to be built on the battlefield where George Washington received Cornwallis' surrender, is proposed in a resolution presented by Col. John W. Williams, clerk of the house of delegates and keeper of the rolls of Virginia, and adopted by the Yorktown Sesquicentennial Commission in session here.

Miss Gush—I just adore caviar, don't you?

Mr. Flush—I seldom listen over the radio and care little for those foreign singers.

Bearder—Come quick; two rats are fighting in my room.

Landlady—What do you expect for 50 cents, a bull fight?

Value Commercial at Six Millions

Receivers Report at Memphis—Holding Company Taken in Charge

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(U.P.)—Sustaining charges of manipulation and mismanagement of Southern Publishers, Inc., holding concern for the Memphis Commercial Appeal and the Knoxville Journal, both of which papers are in receivership, Chancellor James B. Newman Tuesday appointed a receiver for the holding company. Larkin E. Crouch, Nashville attorney, was ordered to take charge of Southern Publishers, the stock of which was equally divided between Luke Len, Nashville publisher, and Rogers Caldwell, Tennessee banker and financier.

through operation of the sinking fund

MEMPHIS.—(U.P.)—Receivers for the Memphis Commercial Appeal, Inc., in a report filed in Chancery Court here Tuesday presented tentative figures showing assets as of the date of the receivership, December 12, of \$5,927,389.57.

It was explained that while an audit has been completed, the formal report of the auditors has not yet been made, but that the receivers had obtained sufficient information on which to have their initial report.

Current assets were given as \$462,048.22; miscellaneous investments and advances \$587,571.74; capital assets \$335,511.52; circulation, goodwill and Associated Press membership \$4,500,000, and deferred charges \$42,257.08.

Current liabilities were listed at \$569,900.10; sinking fund gold debentures due May 1, 1942, less retirements

Historic Cottonwood Succumbs to Progress

GARY, Ind.—(U.P.)—A giant wood tree, once used by lynchers as a guillotine, is being cut down because it interferes with power lines. The tree is 127 feet high, seven inches in diameter at its base and estimated to be 110 years old.

Frank Kurth, 70, a Gary pioneer, said the tree was one of the wonders of northern Indiana in 1865, because of its size.

"Two horse thieves were hanged on it in 1857 and some of the party bullets, fired from buffalo guns, are embedded in the tree," Kurth said. "A suicide also hanged himself from the tree. It's so old it goes back long before there was a Gary, back when it took a week to travel the 25 miles between here and Chicago in an 'ol' cart, or two weeks when the wolves were bad."

Included in the itemized of miscellaneous investments and advances is \$471,500 of bonds and stocks of which \$66,000 is pledged to secure notes payable.

"This amount of \$471,500," the receivers said in their report, "consists of stocks and bonds which in the opinion of your receivers may develop to have some value but which your receivers do not believe are now salable and are not available for sale as an asset of any substantial value at the present time."

The report was submitted by Enoch Brown Jr., and Paul Dillard as receivers.

Lawyers and Farmers Dominate General Assembly Next Month

18 Attorneys, 4 Farmers in Senate—Ratio 35 and 19 in the House

LITTLE ROCK.—(U.P.)—Members of the forty-eighth general assembly will be in the assembly hall, practically all legal ages and 22 all professions and many businesses, and all of the larger religious denominations.

There is but one Republican in the whole assembly—Representative E. Hollenbaugh of Marshall, Searcy county.

There is only one woman—Mrs. Effie Cole Cunningham of Yell county—will be in the assembly. She is a representative. A study of the roster shows the youngest member, Rep. Kenneth C. Coffelt of Faulkner county, to be 22, while the oldest house member is 75 and the oldest senator 80. There is a disparity of 53 years between Coffelt's age and that of the oldest house member, Edward D. Robertson of Helena, who is 75. The same number of years separates the age of the youngest and oldest senator—Ned A. Stewart, Lewisville, 27, and Robert J. Wilson, Fayetteville, 80. The average age of senate members is 49.80 years, a little more than six years greater than the average age of house members. As usual, lawyers and farmers hold

the balance of power in both houses.

In the senate, 18 attorneys and four farmers are listed among 35 senators. In the lower house, 35 attorneys and 19 farmers are listed among a membership of 100.

Nineteen new faces will appear in the senate, among them Dr. W. H. Abington of Beebe, speaker of the house in the 1929 session. Lawrence E. Wilson, Lieutenant-governor elect, was administration leader in the house in 1929.

Among new members of the house will be Richard K. Mason of Camden, president of the senate several years ago. H. K. Toney, formerly senator from Jefferson county, will represent that county in the house in the coming session.

Four of Pulaski's six members of the assembly also will make their initial appearances. They are Senator G. W. Hendricks, former circuit judge, and Representatives H. B. Stubbsfield, Murray O. Reed and Tom Newton. Senator Edward B. Dillon was re-elected as was Representative Morgan Smith.

There are 11 Methodists in the senate, seven Baptists, six Presbyterians, four members of the Church of Christ, one Catholic, one who listed himself as a "Protestant" and five who gave NO religious preference.

In the house, 26 were listed as Methodists, 24 as Baptists, 11 members of the Church of Christ, nine Presbyter-

—By Williams

